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COUNTRY Germany (Soviet Zone) SECURITY INFORMATION REPORT NO. [REDACTED]

TOPIC Dessau Airfield

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EVALUATION see below PLACE OBTAINED [REDACTED] 25X1

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DATE OBTAINED [REDACTED] DATE PREPARED 30 November 1951

REFERENCES

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REMARKS

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- [REDACTED] 1. At 5:25 p.m. on 23 October 1951, there was no flying at Dessau airfield. About 50 ground attack planes were observed at the installation. Two trucks were parked next to the large radio installation at the field.

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2. About 5:20 p.m. on 26 October, about 50 ground attack planes, [REDACTED] white upper edges on their rudder assemblies, were parked at intervals of 50 to 100 meters on the southern and eastern sections of the field. There was no flying.

3. At 12:45 p.m. on 31 October, 5 biplanes and about 50 ground attack aircraft, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] were observed at the field. Three tank trucks were parked there. Several large tar covered containers were observed in the former hangars.

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4. Five biplanes and about 50 ground attack aircraft were again observed at the field at 3:50 p.m. on 2 November. The ground attack planes had white upper edges on their rudder assemblies. A pile of dirt which was camouflaged was about 50 meters northeast of the former location of the alert flight. A hole next to this pile was occupied by a searchlight, an AA gun, a sound locator, and an antitank gun.

5. At 12:45 p.m. on 2 November, 48 single-engine planes were parked on the southern edge of the field, north of the taxiway, and 5 biplanes in front of the flight control building. There was no flying, although many officers in flying suits were observed going from the eastern section of the field to the aircraft.

6. A radio mast, about 15 meters high and braced on all sides, and two smaller masts about one third as high as the main mast were located between the single-engine planes and the biplanes, about 150 meters toward the center of the field. A radio truck and a tent were observed at the foot of the main mast. The smaller masts which were considerably thinner than the main mast looked like rod antennas and were not braced. They seemed to be connected by a line with the main mast. A radio truck with a whip antenna was parked in front of the flight control building. *

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* Comment. The report confirms that Dessau airfield is occupied by a ground attack regiment. The aircraft indicate that the regiment concerned was stationed in Staaken prior to 5 October 1961. The radio installation mentioned in paragraph 6 is probably in contact with the aircraft when they are flying.

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